

East Coventry Township
855 Ellis Woods Road, Pottstown, PA 19465

Open Space Committee
Wednesday, September 3, 2014

MINUTES

Present: Mariea Geho (Chair), Lance Parson (Vice-Chair), Dorene Pasekoff (Secretary), Michael Hott, (member) Stephen Schur (member), Larry Tietjen (member)

1. **Call to Order.** Mariea Geho called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance.** Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.
3. **Approval of Minutes.** The minutes from the July 2, 2014 meeting were discussed. On a motion duly made, seconded and carried, the minutes from the July 2, 2014 meeting were approved.
4. **New Business.** Mariea Geho gave everyone a copy of the article "Growing Wild: Converting Turf Areas to Meadow Benefits the Budget and the Environment" from the August 2014 issue of PA Township News. The Board of Supervisors will also get a copy of the article and discuss whether planting meadows on Township Open Space is something East Coventry should do.

Mariea Geho announced that the Township is receiving a grant for \$28,000 towards the \$48,000 cost of a study to look at Township open space and make recommendations as to the best use for each parcel.

The Ussler property (67 acres) went to settlement in July 2014 and is now East Coventry Township Open Space.

The Elliot property (27 acres) is in the process of receiving an agricultural easement. Chester County and East Coventry Township Open Space funds will split the costs of the easement 50/50. Chester County is paying for the property appraisal.

5. **Public Comment.** None
6. **Next Meeting.** The next meeting is Wednesday, November 3, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.
7. **Adjournment.** On a motion duly made, seconded and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,


Dorene M. Pasekoff, Secretary